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MESSAGE BY HER HIGHNESS DATO' SERI DIRAJA TAN SRI TUNKU PUTERI INTAN SAFINAZ BINTI ALMARHUM SULTAN ABDUL HALIM MU'ADZAM SHAH, TUNKU TEMENGGONG KEDAH, NATIONAL CHAIRPERSON OF THE MALAYSIAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH 2021 WORLD RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT DAY ON 8TH MAY 2021, THEMED **"TOGETHER WE ARE #UNSTOPPABLE"**

Assalamualaikum Wbt and Greetings to all

It is a blessing and privilege for me as the National Chairperson of the Malaysian Red Crescent Society (MRCS), for the auspicious opportunity to deliver this Statement in conjunction with the World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day (WRCD), today 8th of May amidst the challenges of COVID-19 and the continuous fight against the health crisis to help improve the lives of the vulnerable communities.

On 8th May every year, the MRCS joins components of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement together with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and National Red Cross and Red Crescent worldwide (192 including Malaysia) to celebrate the birthday of the Founder of



this humanitarian institution, Henry Dunant, born in 1828. This annual event is normally celebrated with activities highlighting the unique role of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement in the respective countries, engaging and involving the wider communities.

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement supports millions of people around the world every year in times of conflict, natural disasters and crisis situations. The scale of today's global challenges can be overwhelming at times. But amidst the escalating pandemic, the climate emergency and the dangers faced by communities at risk of disasters and scarcity, there is HOPE. This HOPE is built through countless acts of kindness from one person to another in communities, large and small across the world

Wherever there is a crisis, there is a Red Cross or Red Crescent volunteer ready to support the people affected and ensure they recover quickly and can live with greater resilience and dignity. Their commitment never wavers, and their compassion has no limits.

In marking this year's World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day, the Movement significantly focuses on the strength and determination of this huge network of Red Cross and Red Crescent responders who give their time willingly, applying their skills and expertise to make their communities safer, more resilient and more inclusive – thus making a difference in the lives of others. This is the power of humanity, and it is absolutely **#unstoppable**.

Despite challenges and risks faced, MRCS continues to provide vital humanitarian services in the community, and all of these are being supported by numerous teams of dedicated volunteers and staff across the country.



We, at the MRCS are indeed committed to unite and come together to help reduce risks and to give vulnerable communities a hand to the most needed lift of HOPE.

As the National Chairperson of the Malaysian Red Crescent Society, I am extremely proud of our most dedicated volunteers and staff for the extensive outreach to both urban and rural communities, helplessly impacted by the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and other disasters that continue to befall and affect the Nation from time to time. This certainly would not have been possible without the **compassion, care, and commitment** of selfless Red Crescent volunteers and staff at all levels, striving daily to build safer, stronger and resilient communities through simple acts of kindness... This race to help is clearly UNSTOPPABLE....likewise **TOGETHER, WE ARE #UNSTOPPABLE - -- YOU CAN COUNT ON US BECAUSE EVEN ON THE WORST DAYS OF ALL, WE ARE STILL IN IT TOGETHER!**

Perlumbaan untuk membantu ini sememangnya TIDAK DAPAT DIHENTIKAN....begitu juga **BERSAMA, KAMI TIDAK DAPAT DIHENTIKAN! --- ANDA BOLEH BERGANTUNG PADA KAMI KERANA WALAUPUN PADA HARI-HARI TERBURUK, KAMI TETAP BERSAMA**

I wish all of you a meaningful WORLD RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT DAY.... SELAMAT MENYAMBUT HARI PALANG MERAH DAN BULAN SABIT MERAH SEDUNIA!

TERIMA KASIH EVERYONE!